

Realtors Point Out to Governor

Because it pursues a line this newspaper has been blasting away on ever since the State of Arkansas has been declared a proving ground was declared, and the following letter from the Hope Real Estate Board to Governor Ben Laney is printed in full in this column today:

Hon. Ben E. Laney, Governor, State of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir: The Hope Real Estate Board hereby respectfully requests that the State of Arkansas reconsider its recent action to acquire the 35,000 acres of land in the southwestern proving ground area as a State Game Preserve, and withdraw its claim, permitting the sale of this land to be made to the public as soon as possible; thereby insuring its return to its former productive state before the war.

The present action, selling such lands back to the public by the Government is in direct competition with the local real estate brokers, as they can earn no commission of any kind by such sales. However, the sale of the land to the community of any revenue to the State, a loss to all people living in this community, and this community will certainly suffer a considerable loss of revenue if the State continues to press its claim.

Realizing that the State of Arkansas may have been influenced into making its claim under the assumption that:

1. The Government, in designating this area as a proving ground, had partially done so because the land was cheap waste land, and
2. That this land could not be reclaimed and put back in its highly productive state it was formerly in, due to the many explosives in this area.

We wish to advise the State, as a representative group of real estate brokers, that the above two conditions have never existed. In fact, it has always been rather hard for many of the citizens of this area to understand the Government's action in choosing the best lands as a whole in Southwest Arkansas for an operation of the type it was subjected to, especially when there are thousands of waste acres in other parts of the state.

The ownership map of this area shows the Creek and its tributaries running through the entire tract of land. Government crops reports will show that this land is largely black land situated along the bank of this creek, with sandy land on the hill sides. These reports will also show that types of land are responsible for about one-third of the former agricultural revenue of this county, during the years prior to the government's condemnation of it. The remainder of the land is in either fast growing pine lands or in the best of the land with good woodland pasture. There are some good gravel roads in this area now with electricity available nearby for future owners.

The government records show that this area is far above the average in production of crops and that to the remainder of the county, and that it certainly was not, nor has ever been, waste land. The fact that this 35,000 acres is now being cleared of explosives and will be soon in safe for production purposes, with the possible exception of a small percentage, is proof that neither the Government nor the citizens contracting to do this work of removing the possible explosives, consider the area unsuitable for future use.

There will be a back to farming movement at some time in the future. Land that is capable of producing will be put back into a state of cultivation of either crops or stock feed. That a county or community be denied the opportunity to share in this back to farming movement, by lacking the land to accommodate such an action is hardly fair, and we do not believe it is the intention of the state to do this.

However, we also realize that the state is in need of game preserves, and that just a request for the state to relinquish its claim without an alternative is not doing justice to the state planners and game preserve enthusiasts. Therefore, we would like to call the state's attention to the Millwood Dam on Little River, now in the early stages of development, will provide a vast amount of land that the state could acquire for a game preserve in a natural setting. Furthermore, this Dam will not only protect thousands of acres of land in the river bottoms from flood and permit it to be placed into cultivation, but will also provide a game preserve, a tourist attraction, and benefits that will long be conducive to the progress of our state.

We suggest that the state utilize this means of obtaining a game preserve, and permit the return of the southwestern proving ground to this county's tax rolls.

In closing we would like to call your attention that the industrial development of the southern part of the southwestern proving ground is in the making. Factories locating there would normally employ a considerable number of local employees from the surrounding farming community. It is doubtful that a game preserve would contribute very much to this situation. Certainly the development of this project is more important to the state at the present time.

We thank you for the State's taking this matter under further consideration. We are at your service should the state require any further information. Respectfully yours,

HOPE REAL ESTATE BOARD
Hoyd Porterfield, President
Vincent W. Foster, Secretary
Feb. 24, 1948
Hope, Ark.

By JAMES THRASHER
Russia Didn't Deny Charges In Captured Documents
On Jan. 21, the State Department made public some captured

Group Sets Sum to Start Europe Recovery Plan

Washington, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Chairman Eaton (R-NJ) of the House Foreign Affairs committee recommended for the first time today a figure for European aid — \$5,300,000,000.

That is the amount the Senate Foreign Relations committee fixed for the first 12 months of the proposed European Recovery plan.

Eaton said he considers it "fair and sound."

He told a reporter his committee probably will agree that the Marshall plan be handled by an independent organization headed by a man of cabinet rank. Such a set up also would parallel the Senate bill.

But Eaton said he is against setting up a congressional "watchdog" committee, as the Senate group proposed.

"I shall oppose," he said, "any attempt to invade the constitutional duties of the president, whoever he may be."

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Scouts Take Over Scrap Metal Drive

Steel is still a critical item on this country. The demand for consumer goods requiring steel still far exceeds the supply, and relief will be realized only through increased production and a sufficient supply of scrap metal.

During the war years scrap metal drives were conducted to assure sufficient war machinery. Now, in peace, scrap metal drives are necessary to assure adequate peacetime goods.

At a meeting of scouts officials in Hempstead county, it was decided that county clubs and scouts would conduct a scrap metal drive as a community service program and a method of bolstering the financial balance. Arrangements have been completed for the clubs and scouts to receive the current salvage price of \$1.00 per hundred for all scrap turned in.

Individuals having a considerable supply of scrap metal can either turn it over to the scouts, or request the scouts to see that the scrap is turned in and the owners themselves will receive the salvage price.

While plans are as yet incomplete for the entire county, clubs and scouts in Hope will get their drive underway immediately. Next week clubs will work their own neighborhoods to locate and assemble all the scrap they can find.

On Saturday and Sunday, March 6 and 7, scouts will make the collection drive. Trucks will be available to take the scrap to the collection point.

All citizens are urged to cooperate with the boys in this drive as a civic and patriotic duty. Anyone having scrap metal may report it by calling 81 at anytime between now and March 7.

City Election Officials Announced

A list of officials for Democratic Primary Election to be held Wednesday, March 3, 1948, Hope, Arkansas, as released by J. P. Duffie, secretary:

First Ward, Voting place, First Station. Judges: Elbert Burke, Harry Hawthorne, Jim McKee, Claude Lauterbach, Hinton Davis. Alternate Judges: Ed Ward, Hendrix Spraggins, Tom Wardlow. Alternate Clerks: Roy Crane, Will Palmer, Sheriff: Bill Porter.

Second Ward, Voting place, court-house. Judges: G. W. McDowell, M. Ramsey, W. H. Allen, Charles C. Collins, Andy Wagner. Alternate Judges: C. H. Moxley, S. H. Warkum, W. E. Jones, Alternate Clerks: Eugene Cox, J. W. Harper, Sheriff: Paul Cobb.

Third Ward, Voting place, City Hall. Judges: Geo. W. Peck, Franklin Horton, Tom Paul, W. B. Mason, Alternate Judges: W. E. Waller, E. H. Stewart, Alex. Purcell. Alternate Clerks: Mrs. M. Housh, Mrs. E. O. Wingfield, Sheriff: Rufus Martindale.

Fourth Ward, Voting place, City Hall. Judges: Arch Moore, T. A. Hendrix, Louis Breed, Clerk: Houston Wolf, Mike Snyder, Alternate Judges: Cliff Stewart, C. E. Cassidy, Forrell Williams. Alternate Clerks: Sid Ward, Ira Halliburton, Sheriff: Rupert Gentry.

Some stretches of the 79-mile long Albert Canal in Belgium run between 40-foot embankments above the surrounding country.

South Faces Prospect of Defeat in Open Skirmish Against 'Rights' Program

Witness Says Meyers Lured Him Into Deal

Washington, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Blerio H. Lamarr said today (AP) Gen. Bennett E. Meyers lured him from a California war job with a promise of a bright, financial future in a Dayton, O., business owned by Meyers.

The 36-year-old accountant testified as the principal government witness against Meyers, former deputy purchasing chief of the army air forces.

Meyers is being tried on charges of inducing Lamarr to tell falsehoods last summer at a Senate investigation of Meyers' private business deals.

Witnesses told a Senate subcommittee that the 52-year-old general made more than \$150,000 wartime profit from the Aviation Electric Company, a Dayton plane parts plant.

Lamarre pleaded guilty to some charges growing out of the Senate inquiry. He has yet to be sentenced.

Lamarre said he was working for the Douglas Aircraft Corporation in Santa Monica in 1939 when Meyers contacted him. He said Meyers asked him to return to Dayton "because he wanted someone he could trust to look after his interests" at Aviation Electric.

Lamarre told the federal jury that he was lured into the deal because he thought he would make more money and eventually get a share in the company.

The witness said Meyers also promised that Aviation Electric would be built up into a large company with a substantial income.

"He told me he was sure we could continue the business after the \$20,000 contracts were completed because his wide business contacts throughout the country," Lamarre related.

"Did he say what kind of business contacts?" the witness was asked.

"I recall it now," Lamarre replied, "they were mostly aircraft companies."

Lamarre and his attractive wife have been outside the federal courtroom since Tuesday, when the trial began, to be called as witnesses.

Mrs. Lamarre is a former secretary of the general. Meyers has claimed that she once was his girl friend. She denied it and Lamarre called the general a "snake" for making the statement.

A defense motion for a mistrial was turned down by the court late yesterday. It was based on a prosecution disclosure that a pretty young woman, Miss June Ballou Grinstead, had been asked by the government to stay at the same hotel as the Lamarrs for her "protection."

Assistant U. S. Attorney John F. Kelly would not elaborate on what he meant by "protection." But he told Defense Counsel Robert T. Bushnell "you can use your imagination."

Robbins Gets Off With Life Sentence

P-I LONNIE ROBBINS
Clinton, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Lonnie A. Robbins, described by the state as a "dangerous rascal," has been sentenced to life in the penitentiary for the murder of his Texas "mail order" bride. His sentence was set at life imprisonment.

A jury composed mostly of farmers in this county, returned a verdict yesterday after deliberating four hours in a tourist court. The trial lasted three days.

The portly, 49-year-old farmer, partly in a dark suit and flashy tie, was escorted to the courtroom by his attorneys. He did not say immediately whether they would appeal, but indicated they would.

After the verdict, Robbins was moved to the Faulkner county jail where he is being kept.

Sheriff Jack Castleberry of Conway said he will be returned here for formal sentencing on Friday.

The state had sought the death penalty for Robbins' crime of a week. The former Mrs. Sadie Sue Dedley, Abilene, Tex., died of poisoning, but contended it was self-administered. Robbins didn't testify in his own defense.

Robbins was married on Christmas Day at Abilene and came to Robbins' home at nearby Scotland, Ark. on New Year's Eve. She died a few hours later.

A state's attorney, Ope Rogers, Clinton, in his final argument to the jury, called Robbins a "daring rascal" and contended he married the Texas woman for money.

Testimony was introduced that Mrs. Robbins withdrew \$1,800 from her bank account in Arkansas. Five hundred dollars was found on Robbins after his arrest with a woman who said she thought they were to be married.

A sum of money also was found on Robbins' 12-year-old mother, Mrs. Jewell Robbins. She has been charged with murder and a former hired hand, Henry Petty, has been charged with being an accessory.

Prosecutor R. E. Rusa declined to say whether he would press the charges against Mrs. Robbins and Petty.

Four Airmen Die in Texas Plane Crash

Meridian, Tex., Feb. 26 — (AP) — Four members of a 12-man crew were killed in the crash of a B-29 bomber near here last night.

The eight other crew members, including Col. Alan D. Clark of Fort Worth, Tex., 7th bombardment wing commander, Parachute School, were rescued.

One of a flight of 20 B-29s bound for the west coast, the bomber crashed in flames shortly after taking off from Casswell air base at Fort Worth.

Clark was killed. He was commander of the flight.

Names of the four victims, who were found in or near the scene of the wreckage, have not been released.

James Clark, the men who bailed out were 1st Lt. Frank H. Riggs, Orange, Tex.; 1st Lt. Frank M. Worley, Fort Worth; Capt. William S. Kern, Pasadena, Calif.; Staff Sgt. D. W. Aslin, Fort Worth; 1st Sgt. William W. Weaver, Falmouth, Ky.; Capt. Julian F. Moffat, Barksdale, Miss.; and Lt. Col. Harry Goldsforth, Spokane, Wash.

"We were flying on instruments at 10,000 feet in a heavy rain and fog," Clark said in a heavy rain and fog.

He said the plane was burning as it fell.

The crash occurred near the farm home of Orus Solberg. The plane was still burning five hours later.

Big Problem of Operators, Union Is Keeping Young Men Down in the Mines

By HAL BOYLE
Wilkes-Barre, Penn. — (AP) — How you gonna keep 'em down in the mines?

That is the big economic problem today in the booming anthracite fields of eastern Pennsylvania, where coal is again the black bread of plenty.

There have been lean years here in the hunkered man-made hills of the beautiful Wyoming valley. Of those years depression and the fishing use of oil and natural gas as fuel dropped the production of the rich Pennsylvania fields to half its peak 1923 output of 93,359,000 tons.

The worry then was to find work. Thousands of men dug bootleg coal to keep hunger from their homes.

Today oil is short and the coal market again is widening.

"Our biggest problem now is to get out enough coal to meet the demand," said F. W. Earnest, president of the Anthracite Institute.

And the crux of that problem is — there are thousands of unemployed men here, but they won't go down into the mines. It has both company and labor union officials worried.

"The pay is good," a miner can average \$15 a day," said Harry W. Montz, mining manager for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company. "And a good worker can make \$160 a week or more."

"A young man can become a miner after serving only two years as an apprentice laborer, and even as a laborer he can get \$10 to \$12 a day."

"Mining coal takes more skill than most factory jobs. It is a craftsman's job — just as much so as cabinet work."

But unemployment in the 470-square-mile area where the bulk of the nation's hard coal is produced has dropped from about 150,000 men in 1921 to 70,000. About one-third are actual miners.

"There are operations in this area today that could use 4,000 more miners," said Earnest, "and the anthracite industry is a whole country's employer, 9,000."

Why are \$100 a week jobs going begging? Many sons and grandsons of Slav, Welsh and English immigrants who came here to work the mines have a reluctance to work the mines here. They fear, as one man said, they'll be old men at 40, broken in health, with their faces and hands blue-pitted from the coal.

Many want to get away from their father's trade and become "white collar workers." So they seek lower-paying jobs in factories and offices. But, despite a steady rise in industrial production here, there isn't factory work for all.

They get the reluctant young men down in the mines companies have begun their own training programs — with union approval.

"They are also putting in waterways as fast as pipe can be obtained," said Earnest, "in order to cut down the dust and reduce the danger of fire and explosion."

Thousands of war veterans are back in the mines, but others have remained idle, dead to the industry, said Earnest.

"We have between 15,000 and 20,000 ex-G.I.s in the area unemployed," said one source. "And most of them have already used their 52-20 payments from the Veterans Administration."

Now the days of decision are at hand. They must decide to take up the mine's lamp, as their fathers did before them, or migrate from the green hills where coal is king.

Civil War Is Threatened in Egypt

Cairo, Egypt, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Cables received here indicated today that civil war threatens in Egypt where the Imam (Ruler) Yehia was reported killed during a coup Feb. 17.

A message received in Cairo from Seif El Islam Ahmed, eldest son of Yehia, said the wives of the dead ruler and his sons were being besieged in their homes.

Prince Ahmed said the new regime headed by Abdulh Eln Ahmed El Wazir as Imam, had told the people Yehia died of natural causes. When they learned he had been slain, Ahmed said, a revolt started.

An Arab league source said Abdulh Moustafa, member of an "exploratory" delegation sent into the southwestern Arabian country, reported that disturbances are prevailing.

Here and There in Arkansas

Little Rock, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Two Mississippi state officials have been summoned to Arkansas "Travelers," a reward bestowed for distinguished service to the state.

Ailing Gov. Nathan Gordon appointed Gov. Fielding Wright and speaker of the House Walter Silvers, both of Mississippi, "Arkansas Travelers" yesterday.

Little Rock, Feb. 26 — (AP) — The FBI has disclosed that an attempt to hold up the First National Bank at Newark, Ark., was foiled Monday, but the gunman apparently lost his nerve.

Dean Morley, FBI agent here, said that Alvin Prince, Batesville, had been charged with entering a bank with intent to commit larceny. Morley said Prince had admitted entering the bank carrying a gun and wearing dark glasses. When he found two bank employees on duty, he changed his mind.

Hot Springs, Feb. 21 — (AP) — A Negro music teacher has filed as a candidate for the school board here in filing her candidacy. Calve Gardner, became the second Negro to enter the race. The Rev. A. R. Puckett filed last week. Two school board posts are to be filled.

Ashland City, Tenn., Feb. 26 — (AP) — A Cheatham county Circuit Court jury today deliberated the case of a 20-year-old Arkansas highlander who is charged with murder in the slaying of an Illinois salesman.

The jury, composed mainly of farmers, reached a verdict an hour and 10 minutes after receiving the case of W. Ralph Abbott of Fort Smith, Ark., yesterday and Judge Wallace Smith ordered court adjourned until today.

Abbott is charged with slaying Pierce C. Calton, 33, of Park Ridge, Ill. Calton was shot to death last Oct. 20.

Defense attorneys asked the jury to acquit the accused on grounds of self-defense.

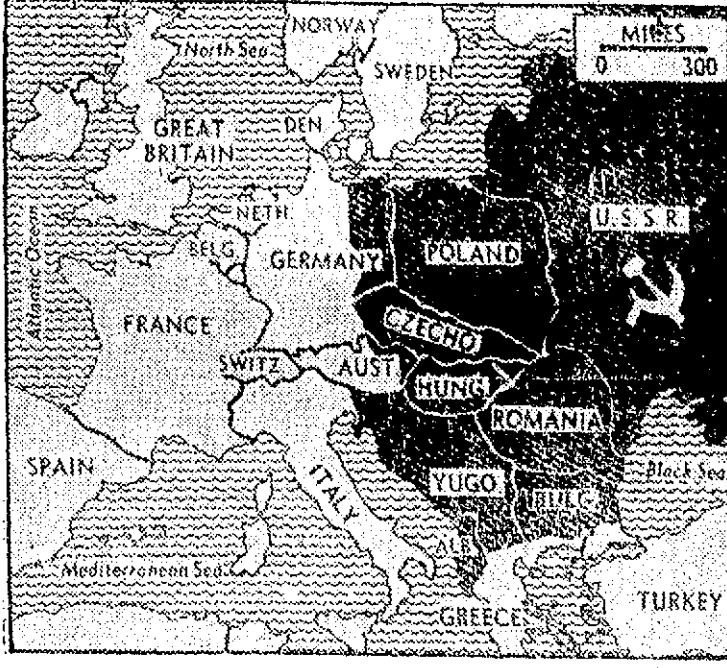
Dist. Atty. Gen. John H. Henderman asked conviction of first degree murder but did not specifically request a death penalty.

Fayetteville, Feb. 26 — (AP) — Mrs. Ellen McBride, 83, died in a hospital here last night from injuries received when struck by a car near her home west of Springdale at 1000 feet in a heavy rain and fog.

He said the plane was burning as it fell.

The crash occurred near the farm home of Orus Solberg. The plane was still burning five hours later.

Communists Take Over



Czechoslovakia is now completely Communist-dominated, with the successful coup of Premier Klement Gottwald's communist control extending the Red domination as far west as the Russian zone of Germany. This area, 2,261,174 square miles, is more than two-thirds the size of the United States.

Omera Evans Is Candidate for Circuit Clerk

Miss Omera Evans, who has served as deputy under three clerks, today announced her candidacy for the office of Circuit Clerk of Hempstead County subject to the Democratic Primary Election this summer.

Miss Evans made the following statement:

"After careful consideration I have decided to seek the office of Circuit Clerk. I have never before asked for public office. The work of this office involves the proper recording of all deeds, mortgages and other instruments affecting title to all lands in the County. The records of the proceedings of both Circuit and Chancery Courts are also the responsibility of this office. There are various other duties performed by your clerk, all of which pertain to the keeping of valuable records. It has been my pleasure to work in this office as a deputy under three different Clerks and in that course of time I feel that I have thoroughly qualified myself for the office which I seek. And I do feel that as a result of my years of experience in this work I can render a valuable service to the people of this County."

I am a life-long resident of Hempstead County and graduate of the public schools of Hope. During this time I have made my home with my parents, and since the death of my father in 1933, my mother and I have continued to make our home in this County.

I appreciate the many expressions of encouragement which it is because of this fact that I have decided to enter the race. In return for the support which I hope to receive I promise an honest and efficient administration of the office of Circuit and Chancery Clerk. Respectfully,

(MISS) OMER A. EVANS

Would Bar Truman From Ticket

Richmond, Va., Feb. 26 — (AP) — Governor William M. Tucker asked the Virginia general assembly today to enact legislation which would bar President Truman's name from the next presidential election ballot.

The proposal, delivered personally to a joint session of the state legislature, was the governor's answer to the president's civil rights program. Truck invited similar action by the rest of the South.

He said the Truman program resulted from "iniquitous influences" that had misled their way into both major parties and would give to the federal government "sufficient power to create in America the counterpart of a Hitler or a Stalin."

Truck recommended that the state's election laws be changed to eliminate the names of the presidential and vice presidential nominees from the ballot. Voters would merely designate their party preference, and the party would select its candidates.

His proposed legislation also would bar Harry Wallace's third party from the ballot by limiting it to parties which participated in the last presidential election or pulled 10 per cent or more of the vote in any general election in the state during the last five years.

Truck invited the rest of Dixie to join in his program.

"If Virginia and the other Southern states should find it necessary for their own preservation to hold their electoral votes in abeyance, I believe it would prove an effective remedy for most of our grievances and secure us an influential voice in the councils of our respective parties."

A fourth of the American Indians on U. S. reservations live in Oklahoma.

Fred A. Luck Candidate for County Judge

Judge Fred A. Luck today announced his candidacy for re-election to the office of Hempstead County Judge subject to the Democratic Primary sometime this summer. Mr. Luck issued the following statement:

"In announcing my candidacy for County Judge of Hempstead County, Arkansas, subject to the Democratic Primary, I do so after giving careful thought and consideration to the requests and solicitations from the people all over the various sections of Hempstead County. During the time that I have served as County Judge I have made many mistakes, but at the same time I have gained knowledge by them and I have tried not to make the same mistakes twice. I have tried to spend the taxpayers' money in a way that benefits as many as possible, making it as fair as possible, and at the same time give them something permanent if possible. I fully realize it is a big job to be at the head of a county of thirty thousand people directing their county affairs, and I have gained much knowledge by this experience."

I am a native born citizen of this county. I have served as County Judge for the last two years. I have two or three projects that is my desire and wish to see carried out, and I would like to serve the people on a cash basis. To the various civic organizations of this county, it is my desire that you in any way that I am capable of doing, so that your organization may become better and stronger and accomplish more.

I wish to thank the voters of this county for their support in my past campaigns, and I solicit your votes in my 1948 campaign, and I will do my very best to serve you as a business like manner. Yours truly,

FRED A. LUCK

Chain Letters Sent to Postal Inspectors

The old chain-letter craze is on again in Hope, R. M. Wilson, postmaster, announced.

It is being worked the same as others but this time they are asking for tea-towels. The idea is to write five friends, send a towel to the first address on the list and add your own.

The scheme operates strictly on superstitions or promises. If you are lucky you might get a towel or two—but if you aren't you might get a jail sentence.

It is against the federal postal law to mail a chain letter. Dozens have been sent to the federal postal inspector by the local department, Mr. Wilson said.

Bonnie Anthony Honored at Monticello College

Bonnie Anthony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Anthony and student at Monticello College, Alton Ill., has been placed on the "Dean's List" for "academic work of such high quality," a distinction that only 20 members of her class received.

The addition of methyl-phosphorus compounds to fuel treated with tetra-ethyl lead checks the unsparked ignition due to the lead without reducing its anti-knock properties, according to a recent patent.

Benes Bows to Red Rule, May Have to Flee

Prague, Feb. 26 — (UP) — President Eduard Benes bowed to Communist demands under duress to avoid bloodshed, a high official said today, adding that the president might resign or flee the country to make his position clear.

The official saw Benes yesterday as the Communist coup was being completed. He said Benes was giving the president giving it to irresistible pressure because he saw no other course, and still determined to dissipate any impression that he consented freely to the Communist solution of the crisis.

Benes was reported seriously ill. The official who saw him said the strain of incessant work and dispute for three days had broken down his reserve strength and health.

The official said it was his impression that Benes would remain quiet for another day or two, and then would make some statement, or take some action to make clear to the world how he felt.

Resignation or flight from the country was only two of the possible alternatives for the president the informant said, along with other courses.

(The suggestion of flight by the president made no mention of any restrictions being imposed on his action, and carried the implication that he could leave Czechoslovakia if he wanted.)

Another possible course seen by the official was that Benes might undertake to maintain his influence among the voters with the idea of trying to reverse the Communist victory at the ballot box on the chance that voting in any election would be comparatively free.

In addition to Benes' fear of bloodshed if he defied Premier Klement Gottwald's demands, the official said, along with other Continued on Page Eight

Court Denies Damages to Pedron, Morris

Texas—Judge Harry J. Lemley handed down a decision favoring the federal government Wednesday in the damage suit brought against the federal government by the fathers of two Hope boys who were fatally injured by the explosion of a 37 millimeter shell in April, 1944.

The federal judge held that the attorneys for the plaintiffs, Raymond Pedron and Jess Morris, of Hope had not sustained the burden of proving negligence on the part of the southwestern proving ground in allowing the shell to be fired.

Judgements of \$8000 and \$2000 had been sought by Pedron and Morris, respectively, for the deaths of their sons, Norman Pedron, age nine, and Carl Franklin Morris, age 11.

The suits had been filed separately, but were consolidated for the hearing.

The two boys were injured fatally while playing "bomber" with the shell.

Col. John C. Brier of Ann Arbor, Mich., was the commanding officer of the southwestern proving ground at the time of the tragedy. He testified Wednesday that if any shells or their component parts were removed from the reservation during his tour of duty there they were done so without rightful authority.

He said the plant guards constantly patrolled the reservation, and made periodic searches of employees as they entered and left the reservation to guard against theft of government property. He said the primary purpose of the periodic checks of employees was "to keep them psychologically alerted to the fact that they would be checked."

Colonel Brier, now a member of the faculty of the University of Michigan, said Pedron and Morris on the night of the explosion that he did not hold the proving ground officials responsible for the accident and that he, Pedron, may have been responsible for not having placed the shell out of the child's reach.

Pedron testified Tuesday that he had moved the shell to a high shelf in his apartment after cautioning his son against handling it, and could not recall what he had said to the colonel.

Colonel Brier said he could not ascertain, from his examination of the fragments of the shell, whether it came from the proving ground or not, but he admitted under cross examination that it was his opinion that it had come from there.

Evidence supported the fact that the shell had not been fired previously and had failed to explode. Witnesses for the plaintiffs testified that it had been in the Pedron apartment for several months before the Pedrons moved in.

20 Years Ago Today

The city election ticket closed with the following candidates:

For mayor—R. A. Betts; Recorder—Fred Webb; Treasurer—J. W. Harper and Catherine Arnold; Marshal—C. E. Baker; Auditor—(Ward 1) T. C. Croshaw, (Ward 2) E. E. Newton, (Ward 3) W. S. Hart, J. W. Hutson, D. B. Thompson, B. E. Newton, Dr. W. S. Keady and Dr. Don Smith; Ward 4—W. H. Ridgill, Dr. J. A. Hays, Theo. J. With, Randolph Crumrine, J. E. B. Baker, W. H. Hart, W. R. Rounton and W. H. Ward 4—Arch Moore, Chester, Ica Halliburton, Arthur Taylor.

Arkansas Items

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Little Rock, Feb. 26 — (AP)—Arkansas commercial hatcheries produced 1,500,000 chicks in January, a 71 percent increase over the same month in 1947, the Agriculture Department Crop Reporting Service said today.

The service reported however that the 465,000 broiler chicks placed with northwest Arkansas producers in the week ending Feb. 21 was a 14 percent decline under the preceding week.

Conway, Feb. 26 — (AP)—Hendrix College enrollment has reached a total of 559, registrar Victor Hill said today.

The students, Hill added, come from 10 states and two foreign countries and represent 10 religious denominations.

Fort Smith, Feb. 25 — (AP)—A north-bound trailer truck crashed into a tree and exploded at Y-City, Ark., about 15 miles south of Waldron, Ark., at 5:45 a. m. Thursday, killing the driver and a passenger.

Sheriff Ollie Holland and State Patrolman Guy Downing, who investigated the accident, said the truck, which carried Missouri tags, was apparently attempting to turn from U. S. highway 71 on to highway 270, toward Mt. Ida, Ark.

The explosion and ensuing fire, the sheriff said, burned the two men beyond recognition and destroyed all personal identification and truck registration papers.

Holland said the trailer, loaded with bananas, was almost undamaged in the crash. The sheriff believed both men were dead before the flames reached them.

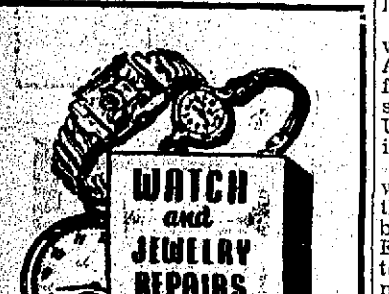
Officials are trying to establish the identity of the victims through checking the license numbers with Missouri authorities.

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South Faces

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trium penalty on conviction would be ten years in prison and a \$20,000 fine.

Peace officers found guilty of negligence in allowing a prisoner or suspect to be lynched could be fined \$5,000 and imprisoned five years.

Even the community in which a lynching occurred could be penalized through a requirement to pay the victim's dependents up to \$10,000.

Southern opposition to the measure has centered around the contention that it invades states rights. Furthermore Dixie representatives cite a drop in the number of lynchings as evidence that they are eliminating the problem their own way.

Senate Republican leaders are speeding action on a companion measure. Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.), chairman of a Senate Judiciary subcommittee, said he expects to have a bill ready late this week or early next week.

A new point of contention arose meanwhile in the Senate Rules committee. Senator Steiwer (D-Miss.) said that group had agreed to take up an anti-poll tax bill Friday. This also is part of the controversial Truman civil rights program.

The measure was approved by the House at the last session but never was cleared for Senate debate.

In the past the Southerners have used the filibuster as their main weapon in fighting this and other measures dealing with race question. However a recent Senate poll showed they no longer can count on the one-third-plus-one vote needed to block the debate-limiting rule called cloture.

In the past, some Republicans usually have sided with the Southerners and voted against the so-called gag.

Now, however, the GOP members appear bent on pushing the anti-poll tax and anti-poll tax bills not only for their own political advantage they hold, but to add fuel to the Democratic fire.

Daily Bread

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German documents which revealed the Nazi-Soviet deal to carve up Europe in 1939, if the Kremlin had been running true to form it would have come back with a reply the next day, branding the documents as forgeries and their contents as lies.

But it took Moscow 19 days to think up an answer. When it did not, say that the captured papers' revelations were untrue. The Kremlin fumed and called names in several installments, but it didn't deny the deal. It insisted that Britain and France, as far back as 1937, were goading Hitler to war with Russia.

Beyond that, the Soviet rebuttal was no more surprising than the American accusation. Russian officials were the first ones to say that Britain, France and the United States were not blameless in Hitler's rise to power.

Plenty of useful post-mortems were held in this country during the war years. There must have been plenty more in France and England. We recalled the impotence of a League of Nations made more impotent by secret diplomacy and jealous, suspicious nationalism. We regretted allowing Japan to move into Manchuria, and Hitler into the Rhineland, and Mussolini into Ethiopia.

Too late we saw the danger of cartel tie-ups with German industry. We saw how France had quarreled and corrupted herself into a walking corpse behind the wishful security of the Maginot Line. We saw the tragic outcome of good but weak-willed intentions at Munich.

But those were largely sins of omission. Perhaps the chief sin—and Hitler's chief asset—was inaction.

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IN HOPE AT GIBSON DRUG

Disintegrated Warehouse



A gas-filled warehouse virtually disintegrated at Pocahontas, Arkansas, in a shattering explosion in which flames, injured three other persons and left part of the shaken business district center background. Body of the laborer was found just under where the rescue worker has an ax poised.

Security Council Delays Action on Partition Problem

Lake Success, Feb. 26 — (AP)—Security council delegates took a 24-hour breather today on the Jewish-Palestine partition problem.

The delay touched off a series of lobby conferences. It also gave delegates an opportunity to get their wind for the decisive round of discussions, expected of start tomorrow.

Prime speculation centered around when Russian's Andrei A. Gromyko would speak and what he would say.

The taciturn Soviet delegate said merely "maybe yes, maybe no" when questioned as to whether he would lay the Kremlin's position before the council tomorrow.

Persons who have watched the Russians operate expected Gromyko to attack the United States and Britain. In lobby conversations with reports he already has accused the British of obstructing partition.

That western people and their governments could not realize the enormity of Hitler's thirst for power and blood. In spite of all the evidence to the contrary, they just plunged the world into another war. It is not surprising that the Russian propagandists tried to distort the picture. Their efforts were not very successful. For instance, they made much of the Dawes plan to relieve a German financial crisis that threatened the whole economy of Europe, just as low industrial production in Germany impedes European recovery today.

Nobody loved the Germans then any better than they do now. Yet the fact was, and is, that it is hard to punish the Germans without punishing her neighbors. However, it is nonsense to say that the Dawes Plan set out to re-arm Germany. Germany was a republic under a Socialist president when General Dawes prescribed his remedy. The year was 1923, the year of the beer hall "putsch"; Hitler was strictly a local nuisance at the time.

At any rate, the present accusations and rebuttals are water over the dam. There was doubtful wisdom in starting the whole business, though it is easy to see how surely Soviet slanders must have tried this government's patience. The captured Nazi documents told nothing really new. Neither did the Soviet replies. Both only served to widen the breach and increase bad feeling.

The war with Hitler is fought and over. Hitler and his crew are gone. If they taught the world a lesson, it is time the lesson was applied. Today's concern is not with them, but with present problems and future peace.

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Market Report

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Feb. 26 — (AP)—Grains sank in slow dealings on the board of trade today. Prices opened lower and mostly were unable to get back above the previous close, although there were isolated exceptions to this trend.

March oats, not actively traded, and December corn said above yesterday's finish at times. Soybeans were comparatively firm, reflecting strength in cash fats and oil markets.

There was no important news to account for the lower trend. Some selling at the start was created by yesterday's price run-up. A moderate expansion in country offerings of cash corn served to depress that grain.

Wheat closed 1-1/2 to 2 cents lower. May 23.38 3-4-1-2, corn was 2 cents lower to 3 cents higher. May 22.17 1-4-2-1/2, oats were 1-1/4 to 1-7/8 higher, May 31.07 5-1/2-1-2, and soybeans were 8 cents, the daily limit, higher, March 33.50.

Quotations on cash wheat were called nominally lower today, although no sales were reported; basis nominally unchanged also; receipts two cents. Corn was unchanged to two cents lower; basis 6,000 bushels; shipping sales 235,000 bushels; receipts 52 cars. Oats were unchanged to a cent lower; basis unchanged; receipts 10 cars. Soybeans receipts were seven cars.

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Rain Swelling Rivers Out of Banks

By United Press

Steady rains the past 36 hours in Arkansas were expected to send the Ouachita river out of its banks next Monday for the second time within less than two weeks.

The U. S. weather bureau's river forecast predicted the Ouachita would continue to rise the next two to five days, reaching near 20 feet at Arkadelphia tomorrow and near 2 feet at Camden next Monday.

The anticipated rise would put the river three feet out of banks at Arkadelphia and six feet out at Camden.

The 32-foot stage would flood lowland areas and damage crops and livestock. The Ouachita hit 32 feet once last week and remained above floodstage until the weekend.

The Black river was expected to near floodstage at Black Rock tomorrow.

The White river was expected to rise three to five feet and near the floodstage at Augusta and downstream tomorrow.

The Arkansas, the forecast said, would rise three to six feet in its upper reaches and 10 feet in Little Rock late Saturday.

Rain continued over most of the state today and was expected in north and west portions tonight.

Morrilton, on the Arkansas river watershed, reported 1.63 inches of rain for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m. today. Arkadelphia had .07 of an inch, Batesville .58, Camden .02, Fort Smith .58, Little Rock .59, Monticello .06 and Pine Bluff .02.

Yesterday's maximum temperatures in Arkansas held a narrow range between 58 and 53 degrees, while the minimums ranged from 38 to 47 degrees.

The forecast for Arkansas—mostly cloudy, occasional rain in north and west portions today, tonight and Friday. Slightly warmer in east and south portions today.

return from Washington where he and other Southern governors conferred with Democratic National Chairman J. Howard McGrath in an effort to persuade the administration to give up its civil rights program. McGrath's answer was no.

Laney said the conference with McGrath was at times heated.

The Arkansas governor, he of the leaders of the Southern opposition to Mr. Truman's proposals, said the fight is "no joke" and that some party leaders, whom he did not name, are "willing to sacrifice every principle" to be re-elected.

himself, he preferred to go to the Democratic National convention, Laney said that speaking only for himself, he preferred to go to the convention uninvited.

Asked for comment on a proposal that the South qualify for presidential electors persons "who firmly believe in state's rights," Laney said he thought this should be a "last resort" measure, but should be given "serious consideration."

U. S. Broadcast Troubled by Interference

New York, Feb. 26 — (UP)—

Voice of America officials said today they were having trouble getting radio programs through to Moscow.

Static and interference have prevented listeners in the Soviet capital from hearing the State department's broadcasts since late in December, according to Charles W. Thayer, acting chief of the Voice of America.

Radio engineers in charge of the program said the interference was probably caused by atmospheric conditions. They said there was no proof that the Soviet government was jamming the broadcasts.

Some observers pointed out, however, that the trouble with the static began only after the State department radio broadcasts had carried the news to Russia of the difficulties experienced by the Communist government in connection with the devaluation of the ruble.

Moreover, radio engineers said the interference was centered in the Moscow area where most of the Russian radio sets are located. The broadcasts were getting through clearly to other parts of the Soviet Union, including eastern Siberia, they said.

Thayer said that the same interference had been experienced by the voice about this time last year. He said that radio stations in a number of other countries broadcast on the same frequency and cause some of the interference.

He said that British broadcasts to Russia have been unaffected by the interference. The British, he explained, use a different channel, and no one else broadcasts on it.

The Voice of America short-wave transmission originates in New York and is relayed to Russia at Munich.

The chief of the radio information service said that some of the programs are getting through to Moscow despite the interference. He said this was proved by Russian news dispatches which recently has quoted Voice of America items.

With 55,000 members, the Navajo tribe of American Indians is the most numerous in the United States.

Truman Begins Last Vacation Before Election

Key West, Fla., Feb. 26 — (AP)—

President Truman began today what may be his last extended vacation before the 1948 presidential campaign.

He relaxed at his favorite vacation spot — the naval submarine base here — after a Caribbean trip which carried him to the largely Negro Virgin Islands.

There was no word from the temporary White House at the commandant's house of reaction to the trip, which came while Southern Democratic governors and congressmen were protesting his civil rights proposals to Congress.

These proposals include poll tax repeal, passage of anti-lynching legislation and enactment of a prohibition against segregation of passengers in interstate carriers.

The president, still unannounced, is regarded by Democratic headquarters strategists as a certainty for the Democratic nomination in the 1948 election.

Ambitious traveling plans are in the making, even before the party convention in early July.

Mr. Truman's staff has announced his plans to visit New York March 17 for the St. Patrick's Day dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

Numerous other trips, both before and after the convention, are being considered.

Mr. Truman, paying his fourth visit to the base here, got out his swim trunks for new sessions of swimming and sunbathing.

He has no plans to reach Washington until March unless unexpected developments dictate an earlier return.

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Social Calendar

Thursday, February 26
The Willing Workers Class of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Robertson, Thursday at 7:45 p.m., at the S.P.G.

The Friday Music Club will meet Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. C. Carlton at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to be present.

Saturday, February 27
The Hope Lions Club will sponsor a dance at the Lions Hall, Saturday night beginning at 9 o'clock.

Monday, March 1
Circle 3 of the W.S.C.S. will meet with Mrs. Charles Bryant Monday, March 1 at 3 p.m. with Mrs. Guy Linaker. Mrs. Lloyd Sutton and Mrs. C. D. Lauterbach as co-hostesses.

Friday, March 5
A benefit party will be held Friday, March 5 at 8 p.m. by the Red Cross, above the New theater building. Funds will go to repair the Lodge Hall. A local string band will furnish music. The public is invited.

Mrs. Hawthorn Hostess at Bridge Party

Mrs. C. F. Hawthorn entertained with a Bridge Party at her home Wednesday afternoon. Three tables were arranged for playing the game. The room was decorated with yellow daisies and other spring flowers. Mrs. Cline Franks was high scorer and Mrs. C. C. Lewis received the second high score. Following the games, the hostess served delightful refreshments to the players.

Laymen's League Met Wednesday Night
The Laymen's League of the First Christian church met Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock for a dinner, business meeting and program in the Fellowship Hall. Following the dinner, Mr. Ted Jones, president, presided over the

business meeting. Mr. Jack Pritchett, program chairman, showed a film, "The Road to Destiny," to the members present.

Coming and Going

Mrs. Chas. A. Haynes has returned from Ft. Smith, Ark. where she attended the State Convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. D. M. Finley of St. Louis, Missouri is guest of Mrs. Brooks Shults in Fulton, and friends in Hope.

Mrs. John H. Greene of Little Rock, Ark. is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John E. McCabe here.

Mrs. C. C. Taul, Mrs. W. R. Herring, Mrs. William Lowery of Little Rock, and Mrs. Arthur Fosythe of Birmingham, Alabama are houseguests of Mrs. J. M. Houston and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Purvis.

Personal Mention

Friends of Mrs. Newt Bundy will regret to learn that she is seriously ill at her home at 1016 West Sixth Street.

Mrs. Chas. O. Thomas, who is a patient at the Julia Chester hospital, is reported as improved. Friends will be happy to learn.

Hospital Notes

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Discharged:
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Mrs. Sam McGill, Fulton.
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Mrs. John C. Morton, Hope.

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The Doctor Says:

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.
Written for NEA Service

Many serious diseases, such as pneumonia, influenza, tuberculosis, and the common cold, are undoubtedly spread from person to person through the air. The germs or viruses are coughed, sneezed, spit, or breathed into the air by the person afflicted. They float around for a time, and are then inhaled by someone who has not yet been attacked.

Some people are very thoughtless when it comes to exposing others. They think nothing of going to the movies or other public places when they are coming down with an infection. In the midst of coughing and sneezing attacks, they often do not even cover the nose and mouth and thereby expose all those near them to infection.

The filthy habit of spitting in public places is especially to be condemned. Health authorities have long recognized the danger of this practice and it is forbidden in trains, street cars, and other public conveyances.

The spit contains millions of germs. In spite of the city ordinances and laws prohibiting this practice in many places, people in general do not seem to realize the danger. Someone who steps on a spot where another has just spit carries the germs with him. The spit dries gradually, but drying does not kill the germs very fast. In fact, drying may make all the easier for the air to pick up the germs where they can be breathed in by anyone around.

Ugly and Unhealthy
Not only is spitting, sneezing, and coughing a danger to others, but it is far from beautiful to see sidewalks, platforms and other places littered with spots around which one has to step carefully. For health reasons alone, if for no other, the laws against spitting should be enforced and people understand why this is a vital health practice.

Question: What causes a cough that lasts for many years?
Answer: A long-continued cough should not be neglected, as it may lead to complications. The cause, however, can only be discovered after examination, including X-ray of the chest.

Clow School Host to District Meet

On March 4, at 10 a.m. the Clow Training School Chapter of New Farmers of America will be host of a meeting of the District Peach Blossom Federation of New Farmers of America at the Clow Training School, Ozan.

Some of the special features of the program are contest in Parliamentary usage, State and National Dues and the election of Federation officers for the ensuing year.

Representatives of New Farmers of America chapters from Arkadelphia, Okla., Prescott, Rosston, Hope, Washington, Nashville, Tullet and Foreman, Arkansas are expected to be present.

Officers of the local chapters of the New Farmers of America are as follows:

Troy Walker, president; Henry L. Marshall, vice-president; Edward White, reporter; James Gamble, treasurer; Oliver Stewart, secretary; Winston Woods, historian; James Starr, watchman; Randolph Witherspoon, chaplain; Charles Dixon, song leader; Oscar Gamble, parliamentarian; Ira W. Harris, advisor.

Some 400 Spaniards were killed and about 1,950 expelled from New Mexico in an Indian rebellion in 1680.

AS LONG AS I LIVE

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THE STORY: Ann Bancroft is in bed with a sick headache. After Rush, her husband, brings up her supper and pampers her a bit, Ann decides she must have been crazy earlier that day to have convinced herself someone in her own household wanted to murder her. Because she had discovered wax on the soles of her new shoes, and the staircase at Top-bill was steep and slippery, because the swinging bridge over the ravine in the garden had collapsed, killing Luke the gardener because her typewriter had crashed from a closet shelf, narrowly missing her. Ann had spent the afternoon adding it all up in mounting terror. Now, secure again, she reflects that she had dismissed Rush and Laurie, her 10-year-old sister, from about suspect list simply because she wouldn't let herself believe either of them wanted her out of the way. Gay, Rush's attractive lab assistant, and Tommy, Laurie's fiancé, because she could find no motive. And she had ideologically figured Rinda, her old friend and houseguest, wanted to kill her merely because she (Ann) was the only person who knew about an old college scandal Rinda had been involved in. Now she recalls someone else who also knew about it—Kelly Winton. Rush comes up to say goodnight to Ann, says he'll sleep in the next room so his snoring won't keep her awake.

Next thing Ann knows, her head is bursting, she finds it difficult to open her eyes. "Turning on that blasted gas fireplace," she hears Rush say. She recognizes Rinda as she regains consciousness. Something clicks in her clouded mind. "Whatever became of Kelly Winton?" she asks. "He was killed at Okinawa," Rinda replies. The fear returns.

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Rush came back with the whiskey. Laurie said excitedly. "She talked Rush, but not sense. She asked about someone I never heard of before. Do you think she knows what she's saying?"

"She's coming out of an anesthetic," Rush said. "Just as though she'd had an operation. She may not be rational for a little while."

"Wasn't she rational?"

"She asked me about a boy we knew in school," Rinda said quietly. "That's all. Just about a boy we knew in school."

"That's all. That's all I asked. About a boy named Kelly Winton."

"Probably association of ideas," Rush said. "She saw your face, Rinda, and thought of school. Probably seemed a natural enough question to her. How about that whisky? Will you have some?"

A natural question. Well, of course, she thought with some irritation, of course it was a natural question. I had to know, didn't I? So I had to ask, didn't I? Only what did I want to know for? If I could remember.

"Look, Ann," Rush said, and she felt his arms go around her waist. "I'm going to help you get to your feet. I'll hold you but help if you can. Try and help, Ann; try and breathe deeply so you'll get air into your lungs. The sooner we get the gas out of your system, the quicker you'll feel better."

He lifted her to her feet and for the first few steps he all but carried her. Her knees buckled and there was a ringing in her ears. The gas. The sooner we get the gas out of your system. . . that was it.

That was what? Did the gas have something to do with the

question she'd asked Rinda?

It was an endless road she walked with Rush, one step after another, one breath after another, and finally she begged them to let her stop. Let her lie down again. They did. They covered her with the blanket, tucked it in all around her, and brought her more black coffee which she drank.

And then she spoke aloud, distinctly, and she had not known at all that she was going to say it. She said, "Allison."

"What?" Rush was perplexed and then he glanced across the couch at Rinda and his face cleared. "Yes, darling, Rinda's going to marry Don Allison, remember? We're going to the wedding." In an aside to Rinda he said, "She seems to have you on the brain."

And Ann said, equally distinctly, "Bob Allison."

Rinda gave a little sigh. A very little sigh and maybe only Ann heard it. Then Rinda said, "Bob was Don's younger brother, Ann."

She crossed her eyes and leaned her head back. She'd never felt so smart in her life. So cunning. Oh, Rinda had been clever. Clever as could be. Only Ann was cleverer.

They thought it was another accident. That was it. Another accident.

But she knew better. She knew someone had come to her room after she was asleep. Someone who had crept around quietly, closing the windows, turning on the gas, so that Ann would never wake up again.

Rinda had done that. Because Rinda was going to marry Bob Allison's older brother and only Ann now, in the whole world, knew that Rinda had been sailing with Bob the day he drowned. Probably, Don wouldn't marry Rinda if he knew that.

She clutched Rush's hand. How would she find words to tell him the horrible things Rinda had been doing to her? Could she make him believe her? She'd have to. He returned the pressure of her fingers and said, "You'll feel better soon, darling."

"Of course," she said quite clearly. "Of course I will. I do. I do already."

"It's funny about gas," Rush said. "It can come mighty close to finishing you off but once you're on the road to recovery it's only a matter of a couple of hours."

"Rush—Rush," Ann said hoarsely. "Rinda came into my room—"

Rush nodded.

"Sure she did," he said emphatically. "Thank your lucky stars for that. She smelled gas and she found you and dragged you out of that room and roused the whole house." He smiled warmly at Rinda. "Rinda was a girl scout, all right, angel puss. Rinda saved your life."

(To Be Continued)

\$235,260 Bet at Oaklawn by Crowd of 4000

Hot Springs, Feb. 26.—(AP)—W. H. Bishop, Anna, Ill., is off to a fast start toward becoming the leading trainer at Oaklawn race track here.

The meeting is three days old and he has saddled four winners. His fourth came yesterday when Pebble's Habit a heavy favorite won the fourth race.

In today's feature, a field of ten is expected to compete in the six-year-old allowance race for 3-year-olds and up. Jim Holman's 6-year-

old gelding, Irishwash, an old favorite with Oaklawn, follows the assigned top weight of 118 pounds. The others will carry 115. No early favorite was established.

DOROTHY DIX Domestic Squabbles

Heretofore husbands and wives' soaps have been considered one of the natural by-products of marriage. Nobody expected married people to be like the little birds that in their nest agree, and so when Mister and Missus went to the mat over dishwasher coffee, or the wife's new hat, or whether little Johnny should be spanked or taken to a psychologist, no one was shocked or surprised. It was regarded as just one of those things that we may deplore, but that we feel is inevitable.

Now, however, we learn that Science has gotten around to investigating the why of the domestic rumpus and why so many husbands and wives, who are fine and noble Christian characters and who get along beautifully with everybody else, are in a perpetual fight with each other. It isn't because they don't love each other, because they do. We all know innumerable couples who work their fingers to the bone to provide each other with every physical comfort and luxury, yet with whom every word is the fighting word and who cannot carry on even the simplest conversation for five minutes without getting into a squabble.

Certainly there is nothing more inexplicable than that so many husbands and wives who know that they have to live together, and who desire to live together, do not

thing to make their marriages happy. The world is full of nagging, fretful, complaining wives who never say a pleasant word to their husbands, and husbands who say cruel and abusive things to their wives, or else take refuge in a silence that is more insulting than any words could be.

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So if the Clinic that has been appointed to investigate why married people act the way they do, finds out the why of it, they will confer an inestimable blessing on the world. Of course, there are several reasons for the domestic squabble that automatically present themselves. One is that many men and women are born with chips on their shoulders. They love a fight, and the more knock down and drag out it is, the better. They get a kick out of being disagreeable, and the more they can maul anyone's vanity, the more fun they get out of it. They don't marry for love. They marry to get a sparring partner.

Another reason why husbands and wives are in a perpetual quarrel is because so many marriages are just one long struggle over which one shall be the boss. Each one is determined to be the head of the house and they engage in a life and death struggle until one or the other is laid in a coffin.

But my own thought on the subject is that the reason so many husbands and wives lead a cal and dog life is because they are too stupid, or too inert, or too lacking in initiative to use any diplomacy in dealing with each other. They won't take the trouble to step high, wide and handsome around each other's peculiarities. They bump right into them and get bruises from which they never recover. They knowingly say the word that brings on a scrap, instead of using the soft answer that turneth away wrath. There never was a quarrel that couldn't have been stopped at the very beginning with a kiss.

Every man knows that his wife is vulnerable to flattery, yet thousands of wives would fall dead with surprise if their husbands would pay them a compliment. Every woman catches her husband by



A full program of activities has been planned for Boy Scouts of Hempstead district.

According to camping and activities chairman for the district, Nolen Tollett, a kite-flying contest has been planned for March 14.

The contest will open at 2 p.m. at the old airport at the north edge of Hope, on the Washington road.

Contest will be opened to all white scout troops, senior units and cub packs in Hempstead district. Cub Scouts will compete against cub scouts; and boy scouts against boy scout and seniors in flying.

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UN Finally Faced With the Question of Armed Force to Handle Palestine Issue

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The United Nations Security Council finally is face to face with the necessity of answering its Palestine commission's report that the partition of the Holy Land can't be carried out without force.

It's a difficult and dangerous problem. And it's unwelcome, for the U. N. must either produce a judgment of Solomon or the peace organization may come a cropper from which it never will recover.

In short, the U. N. is on trial in a big way — maybe for its life. The Palestine commission not only says force is a requisite for the carrying out of instructions, but it warns that quick action is imperative. To my mind that warning is one of the most vital points of the report, as should be clear to anyone who reads the headlines recording the bloody warfare between the Jews and the Arabs, and the preparations by both sides for all-out war.

The world has been looking to the United States for a lead in dealing with the Palestine issue — one of the most controversial of these troublous times. Yesterday chief U. S. Delegate Warren R. Austin went before the security council and made a declaration. It was a most carefully worded statement — a guarantee, indeed, that we await further enlightenment.

Austin's main points would seem to be these: America proposes that the Big Five powers (the U. S., Britain, France, Russia and China) begin immediate talks with the Arabs and Jews in an effort to settle the problem, but the exact nature of the talks isn't clear. The United States pledges that its policy "will conform to and be in support of United Nations action on Palestine." Austin said the council must act to restore peace but declared that it had no legal authority to enforce a political settlement, that is, partitioning of the Holy Land.

"The council's action," he said, "is directed to keeping the peace and not to enforcing partition." Austin added that the United States is ready to enter consultations on the creation of an international force to keep peace in Palestine if the council decides such a course is necessary.

Well, now, where does that leave us? The U. N. has decreed that the Holy Land shall be divided between the Jews and the Arabs. The Jews want partition and the Arabs don't. Both are arming to the teeth to maintain their viewpoints.

With the present temper of the Jews and Arabs, partition can't be carried out without the employment of outside force to keep the peace. Therefore if the security council doesn't provide a force to maintain peace the Arabs and Jews will fight it out to a terrible finish. On the other hand, if the council does provide a peace force, it will be creating a situation which is bound to permit the Jews to establish their government against the wishes of the Arabs. In other words, any effective peace force will implement partition.

Try and figure out that one! That's what the security council has to struggle with. And the essence of the situation is speed.

SIMILAR PIGMENT

Blue eyes and black eyes contain exactly the same coloring pigment, known as melanin, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. The difference in color is the result of the way in which light is reflected from the surfaces of the fibers which make up the iris. Black eyes also have more melanin than do blue eyes.

Inexperienced Men Say B-17 Handles Easy

By LUIS NOLI

Batboa, C. Z., Feb. 26 — (AP) — Apparently it isn't very hard to fly a B-17.

Two American sergeants, accused of taking an unauthorized 1,700-mile joyride in a Flying Fortress across some of the roughest terrain in the world, said today they didn't have much trouble on their little jaunt, although neither had ever been at the controls before.

M-Sgt. Glen D. Woods of Muncie, Ind., and S-Sgt. Theodore S. Havens, Jr., of Washington, N. J., arrived at U. S. Caribbean Air Command headquarters last night from Caracas, Venezuela, where military authorities said they landed the B-17 Monday after a flight from the Galapagos islands, and across the Andes. The islands are astride the equator, 730 miles out in the Pacific from South America's west coast.

Both said they had observed pilots in flight — Woods in 17 missions over Europe. Havens with the air force in New Guinea — and it looked pretty easy.

So, instead of serving Galapagos' one plane for a possible mercy flight at daybreak Monday, the two sergeants said they set off for greener pastures.

Woods said he handled the controls the whole way just did everything he had seen pilots do. Up to 10,000 and 20,000 feet they took the bomber, headed for Waller field on the island of Trinidad. Woods said he had planned to set down the plane about 10 miles from there. "It didn't quite work out that way. With only 300 gallons of gasoline left, Woods sat down at Caracas."

Officers of the Caribbean command said they were astounded that two untrained men could fly the four-engine plane over the Andes, but it didn't seem hard to Woods and Havens. Woods said he even made most of the flight on instruments because of the weather. He knew how to read a radio compass, he said, but the automatic pilot wouldn't work so the whole trip was flown manually. Woods said he had a little trouble getting the big plane to land properly. He had to try four times before he got the air-speed down to a safe margin. Then he made a good land, he said.

They were taken into custody upon landing because they didn't have the necessary clearance documents.

They can be charged with misappropriating army property, an offense which carries a sentence of up to five years in prison. But apparently they weren't greatly worried. Said Woods: "This was the most fun I've had since the war!"

Oder-Danube Canal Planned
Prague — (AP) — Plans for an Oder-Danube canal were discussed at a meeting of the Moravian River and Canal Council at Prerov and it was announced that a special study group would be formed before the end of the year to consider the project.

Negotiations also are in progress with Austria on the proposal and the Czechoslovak government has appropriated five million crowns (\$100,000) for preliminary work on a Danube-Oder-Elbe project.

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Orders Issued to 'Obey' Spa Commissioner

Hot Springs, Feb. 26 — (AP) — The Municipal Civil Service Commission issued orders today to the Hot Springs police force to "obey" instructions of the new public safety commissioner, George Callahan.

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Callahan's appointment to the commissioner's post is opposed by

ment declined to recognize Callahan's authority and would "take orders only from the senior officer of the department." The letter didn't identify the senior officer, but it was signed by Capt. M. J. Saunders, former acting police chief.

Mayor Earl Ricks received the letter and passed it along to the Civil Service Commission without comment.

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the Arkansas Municipal Police Officers Association. He was named commissioner after the association successfully opposed his appointment as police chief.

An attorney for the police association had announced he would file a suit seeking to prohibit Callahan from serving as commissioner. The suit, however, wasn't filed yesterday.

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U. S. per capita consumption of fresh milk and cream is 10 percent above pre-war level.

"Mercy Killer" Gets 7 Months
Banska Bystrica, Slovakia — (AP) — Jan Pazur, 73, was sentenced to seven months in prison on a "mercy killing" charge.

Pazur told the jury he killed his friend Stefan Abraham, who was suffering from an incurable disease and begged him to cut his throat. Pazur said he did it with a kitchen knife.

The defendant's story was supported by several witnesses who testified that Abraham begged all visitors to kill him.

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Plans Army of 162,000
Rio de Janeiro —(M)—The Brazilian Chamber of Deputies is studying a bill which will fix the military forces of the Brazilian army for 1948 at a total of 162,000 men, which does not include the unspecified number of officers of the land, air and naval armed forces.

The army will have 77,000 privates, 20,000 sergeants and 21,000 corporals. The Navy will have 21,000 privates and the Airforce will have 12,000 privates, 7,000 sergeants and 2,600 corporals.

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Silverfish Is Common Pest

Silverfish, a common household pest in Hempstead county, are very destructive in many households, states Mary Dixon, Home Demonstration Agent. They eat starch. To get starch silverfish eat the paste that holds paper to the wall. They eat starched garments, bookbinding and paper. They are especially destructive to ladies' hose.

Silverfish, breeding in some favored location, often build up to tremendous numbers. From there they spread all over the house. If their breeding quarters can be located, control is easy. Otherwise, they are sometimes troublesome to handle.

First step of control is to locate the favorite breeding place. It may be in a box of books or papers, among old clothes stored in the attic or in some other out-of-the-way place. The area should be cleaned out and treated with DDT. If the silverfish are breeding behind wallpaper, the paper should be stripped from the wall and the wall treated with DDT.

The two treatments most effective in controlling silverfish are with poison bait and DDT, she states. DDT is valuable for treating breeding places. Five per cent DDT in oil solution is usually used. DDT may also be applied to the inside of drawers, cabinets and closets. It is usually less work, however, to use poison bait than it is to make a general treatment with DDT and the bait lasts longer.

The following recipe makes a good bait for silverfish:
Oatmeal, 10 teaspoons; Sodium fluoride, 3/4 teaspoon; Sugar, 1/2 teaspoon; Salt, 1/4 teaspoon.

These materials are mixed dry. A teaspoonful of the bait is placed in a shallow box and covered lightly with crumpled paper. One or more bait boxes are placed in each place where silverfish have been found. These bait boxes may be left indefinitely, Miss Dixon explains.

MISNOMER?

The "robins" of North America are actually thrushes, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica. English colonists applied the term "robin" to their nickname for the European redbreast, to the American birds.

Appeasement Is Dangerous Act—Stand of Anthony Eden Strengthened His Position

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Ten years ago a brilliant young British statesman, who had won world at his feet, challenged fate by resigning the great position of foreign secretary as a protest against his prime minister's policy of appeasing the dictators.

We are, of course, speaking of Anthony Eden, then only forty and the youngest man in more than four score years to hold this exacting post. Since there still are folk who cling to appeasement—either because they are muddled or mischievous—we may profit by taking a look at Eden's case.

The aristocratic young Briton was riding the crest of international popularity at that time. He was gifted with a genius that early had showed itself at Eton and Oxford. He joined the colors at 17 in the first world war; at 19 he was the youngest adjutant in the British Army; at 20 he was a brigade major.

Eden was only 25 when he was elected to Parliament—a political prodigy. More so, when Winston Churchill declared he was "the only true figure of first magnitude arising out of the generation which was ravaged by the (first) great war."

As foreign secretary, Eden's fame circled the globe. Sartorial experts called him "the best dressed politician in the world." The Eden black houburg was known wherever hats were worn. He was pretty much lord of all he surveyed.

But the statesman was unhappy. He was trying to serve two masters—his conscience and a prime minister who persisted in trying to curb the aggression of Hitler and Mussolini with soft words.

To be sure, Eden had carried the battle single-handed into the camps of both dictators. Even before he was foreign secretary, and was minister for League of Nations affairs, he had lectured the pompous duce in Rome for the invasion of Ethiopia and was mainly responsible for persuading the league to impose sanctions on Italy. He had shown his disdain of Hitler by openly yawning as the Nazi leader was indulging in a bombastic outburst about his love of peace during a fruitless disarmament discussion in Berlin.

Both dictators had a bitter hatred of Eden and made him the object of constant attacks. It wasn't

strange, therefore, that the foreign secretary finally should reach a point where he either had to break through the fog of appeasement or resign. Naturally there was only one answer to that, and on February 26, '38, he created a world sensation by resigning.

So Anthony Eden carried on as a plain member of Parliament—but he was a bigger personality in the eyes of the world than ever before. The war clouds continued to gather as Chamberlain pursued his disastrous appeasement. Not long after Hitler invaded Poland and declared independence Britain had guaranteed to defend Eden said: "Not only to be tough but to look tough is the best contribution we can make to peace today."

After war began Chamberlain called on Eden to serve as dominion secretary. Then when Churchill became prime minister he made Eden war secretary and later foreign secretary again, as well as leader of the House of Commons.

Eden became runner up to Churchill as leader of Britain's powerful Conservative party, and the way things now stand will check the course of the older statesman. Eden is one of the outstanding statesmen of England and, if he assumes that the Socialist party "can't capture the government for at least a year," he stands a fine chance of becoming prime minister some day.

Let the moral of our story? Well, for one thing, appeasement is terribly dangerous. As for the rest I think we can sum it up in the words of one of Eden's friends: "Anthony Eden is one of those rare men who decided to make a stand on principle, and was vindicated 100 percent."

Worms of New Pearl Harbor Attack

Quincy, Mass., Feb. 25—(UP)—Lt. Gov. Arthur W. Coolidge of Massachusetts says a Russian agent is infiltrating Hawaii today to plot a new surprise attack on Pearl Harbor as devastating as the 1941 blow delivered by the Japanese.

Coolidge said he based his charge on "documentary evidence" received from Gov. Iram M. Stainback of the Pacific territory. The evidence, he said, was "a set of instructions issued by the Communist party to its agents" in Hawaii.

In Honolulu, Gov. Stainback made public the letter and other documents he sent Coolidge, but he refused to comment on the Massachusetts politician's statements. He said the material had been sent to Coolidge's request.

"Communism has made great headway in the territory," Stainback's letter stated, "particularly in some of our labor organizations. The ILWU which controls labor in the production of sugar and pineapple and our marine transportation system, is dominated by Communists."

"I charge that communism's key assault on the United States is starting in Hawaii," said the Republican leader, a fourth cousin of the late President Calvin Coolidge. He spoke at a state meeting of the American Veterans of World War II last night.

"I accuse Moscow's secret agents of launching a new surprise attack on Pearl Harbor," he said. "If this attack is successful, it will be fully as harmful to our national security as was the sneak blow delivered by Japanese bombs."

He said he had a photo copy of the "instructions" seized by Hawaiian authorities. He said they directed Communist agents to foster religious bickering as well as to "corrupt labor unions, pollute the press and contaminate education."

"Attack the protestant mission board for its use of ministers to convert plantation employees," he quoted the purported orders. "Attack Roman Catholics for interference in public affairs. Attack Buddhists for keeping up Japanese chauvinism. Attack exploitation of Mormons by Latter Day Saints Church."

Coolidge said Soviet agents were

directed to "weaken the national guard and make strategic Hawaii the most completely Communist area under the stars and stripes." These instructions, he said, "are not mere propaganda. They are the secret orders to agents of a foreign government operating on the exact site of America's greatest naval disaster."

"We don't want a second day of infamy," he said. "We don't want another Pearl Harbor."

Two Dairy Companies Indicted

Washington, Feb. 25—(AP)—The Justice Department today announced the indictment of two dairy companies and six individuals "for conspiracy to fix the prices of fluid milk in the St. Louis, Mo. area."

Attorney General Tom Clark said the action "is the first major indictment in the milk industry since the commencement of the program of the anti-trust division to prosecute illegal conspiracies to fix the prices of food, clothing and housing."

Clark also has ordered grand jury investigations of local milk prices in Chicago and Washington, D. C.

The program was started last August. Clark said that a federal grand jury, which has been sitting the last several weeks at St. Louis, returned the price-fixing conspiracy indictment against:

St. Louis Dairy Co.; Pevely

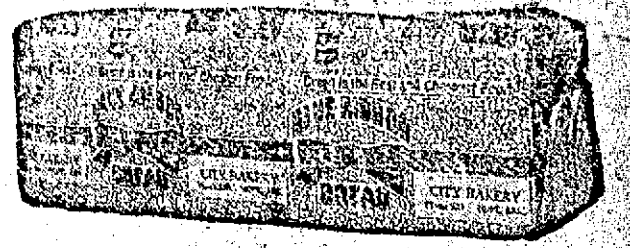
Dairy Co.; Basil M. Lide, president and general manager of St. Louis Dairy Co.; Arthur F. Kerckhoff, president of the Pevely company; Richard D. Kerckhoff, board chairman of Pevely; Elmer M. Kerckhoff, Pevely director; Daniel M. Kerckhoff, Pevely secretary; and Alexander Kerckhoff, treasurer of the Pevely company.

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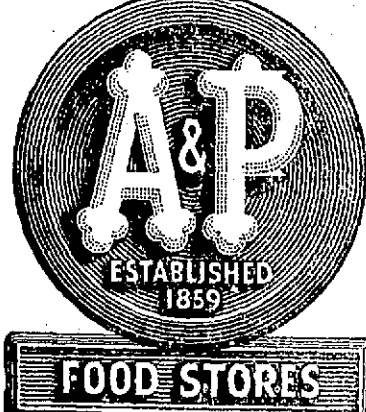
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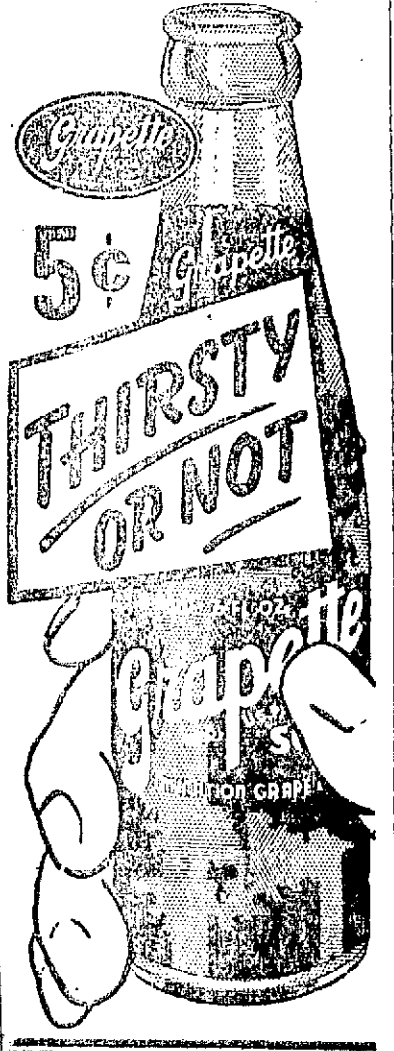
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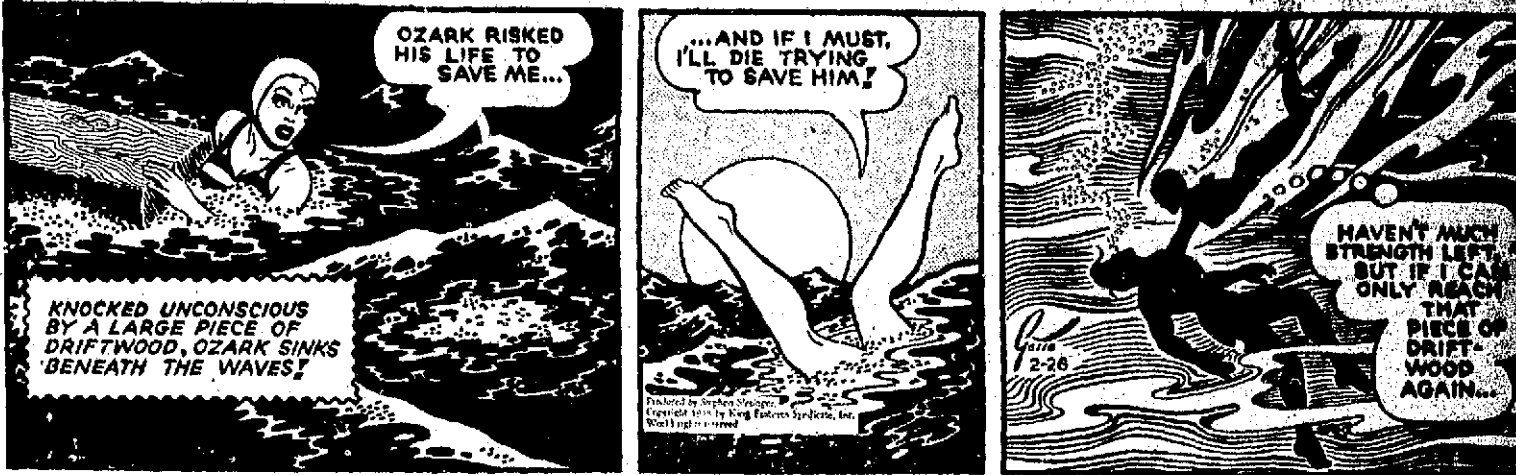
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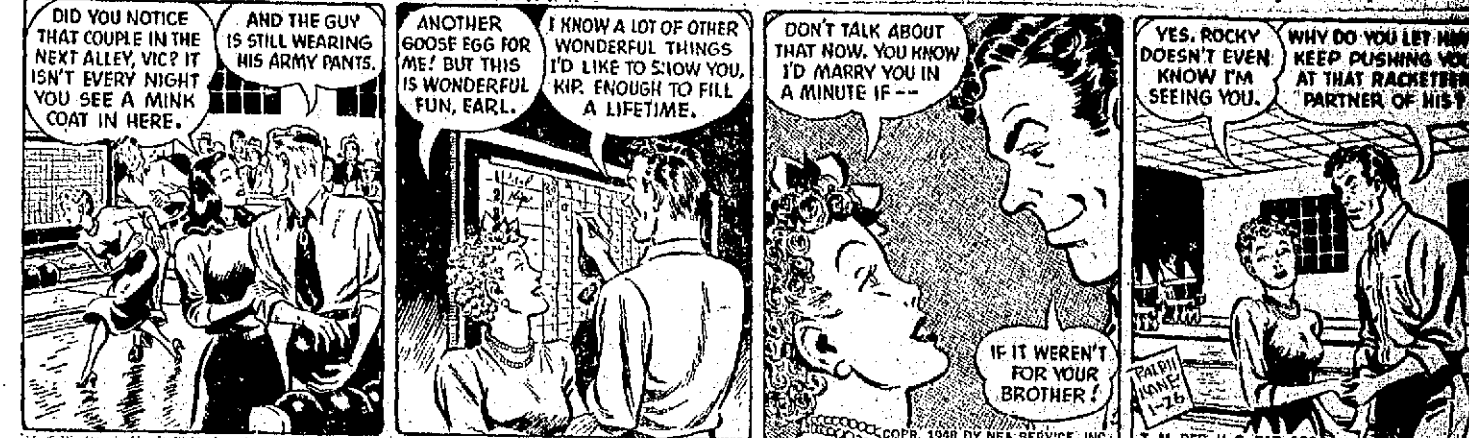
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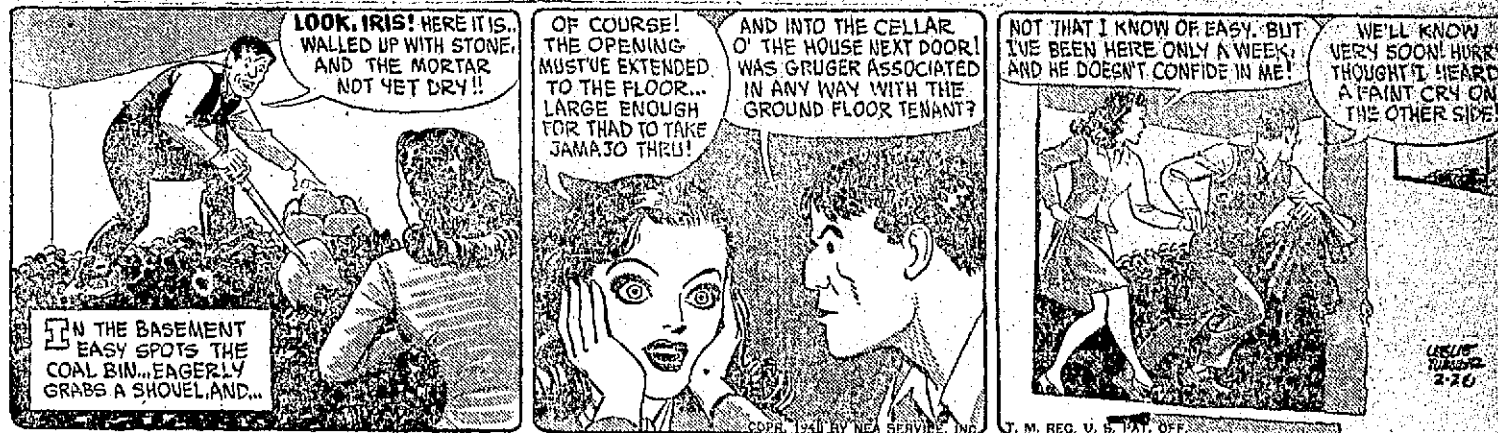
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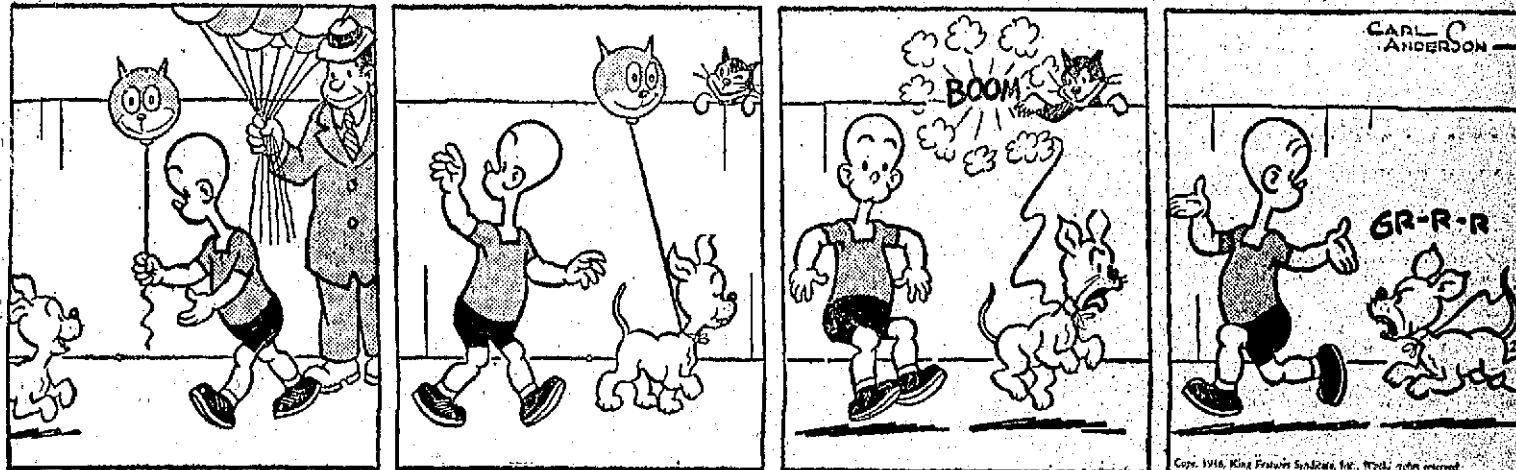
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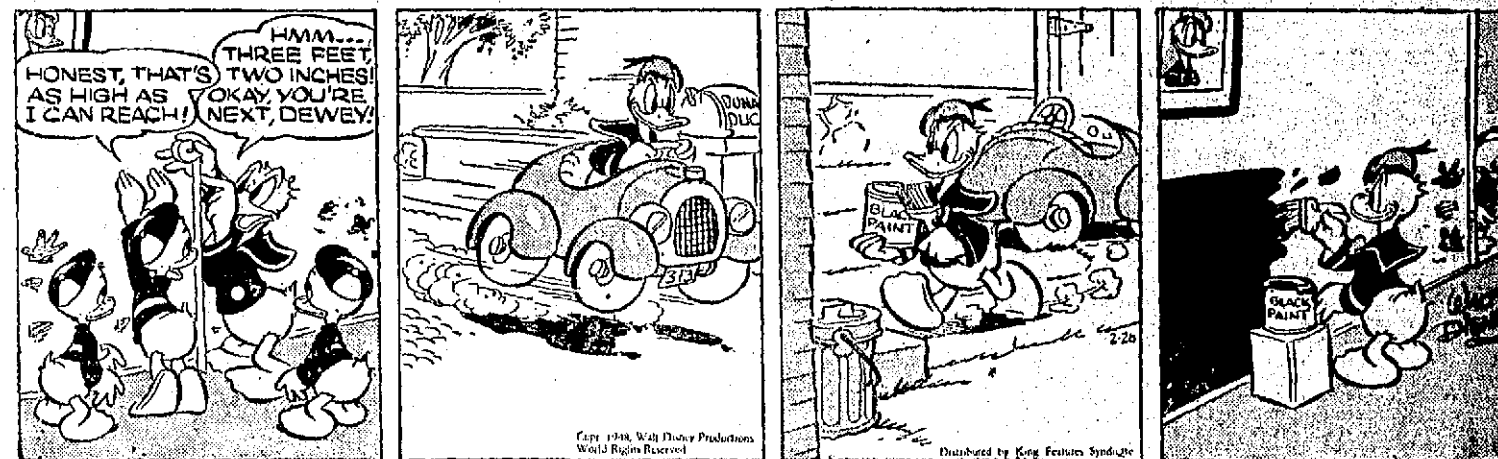
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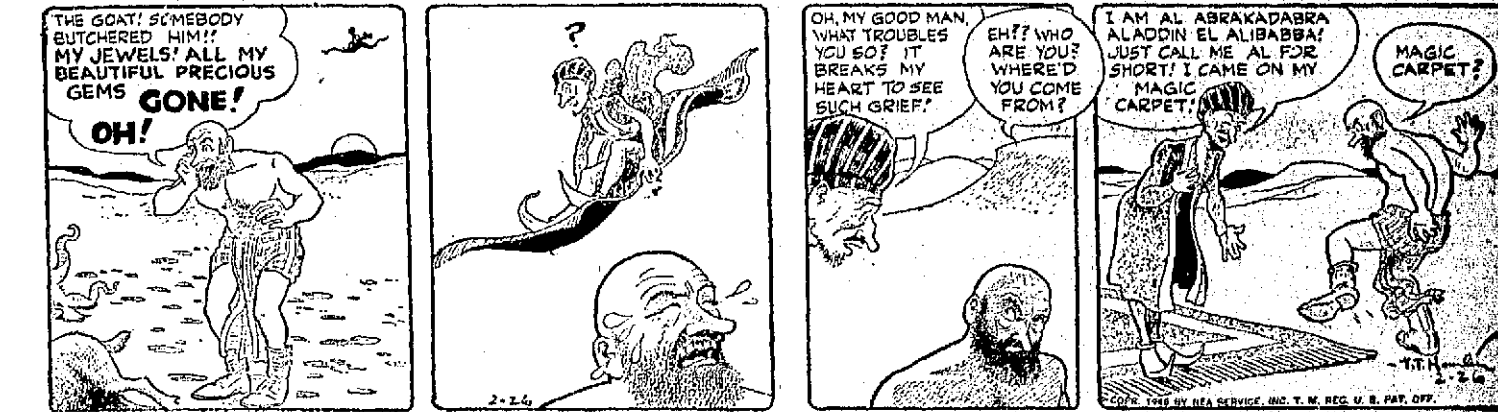
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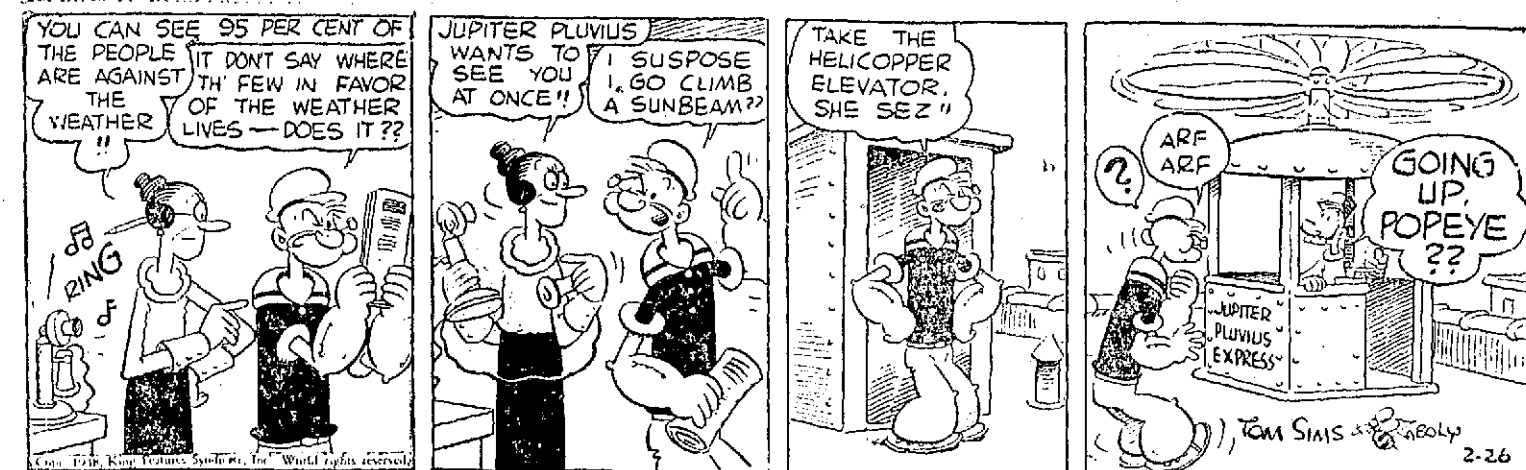
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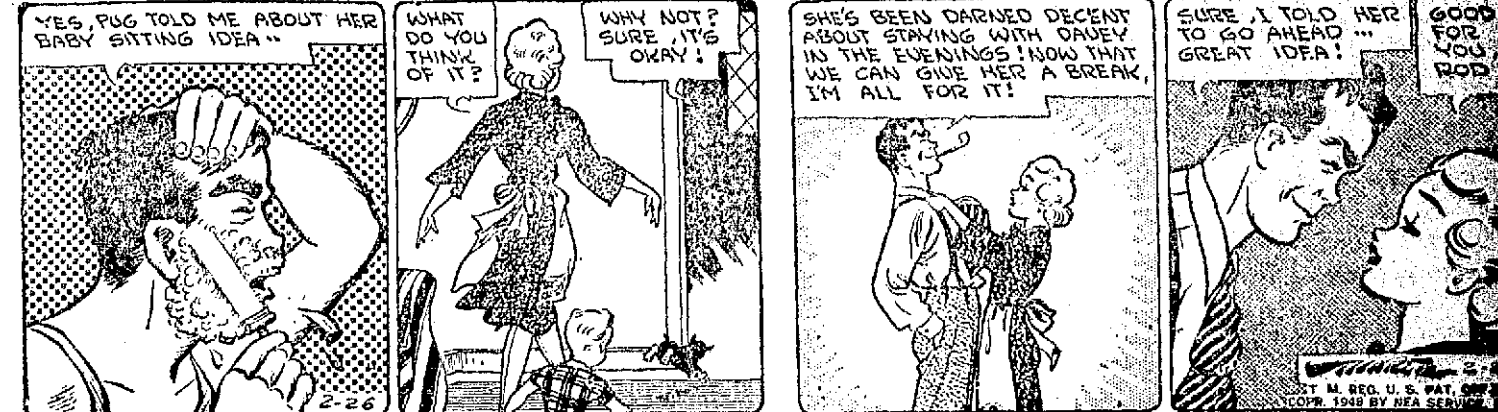
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AFEA Joins in Fight Against Truman

Little Rock, Feb. 25 — (AP)—Southern opposition to President Truman's administration over the civil rights proposals has a new recruit today.

The Arkansas Free Enterprise Association — an organization of cotton planters, business and professional men — announced it would campaign to elect unpledged electors to presidential electors in Arkansas this year.

AFEA Executive Director John D. Daggett, Marianna, said the association would "go into every county to sell this thing." The organization's goal, he explained, is to elect Arkansas voters "to be best for the presidential candidate who recognizes states rights and our traditions."

This was one of several developments here last night over the administration's program dealing with racial relations.

The AFEA sponsored a dinner at which a resolution was adopted pledging Gov. Ben Laney of Arkansas and Gov. Fielding Wright of Mississippi support in their fight.

More than 100 persons attending the dinner at which Wright was the principal speaker, he and Laney have been in the forefront of the Southern resistance movement.

In his address the Mississippi governor called upon the "Solid South" to "become the balance of power in national politics."

He cited that the so-called Solid South cases 135 electoral votes and said Southerners 250 to elect a president. "The South," he said, "controls more than 50 percent of the votes necessary for the election of a president. Do you think we are helpless?"

Wright added that "we must re-assert our support as to insure the defeat of any group which ignores the rights of the people." He called Mr. Truman's civil rights program to Congress a "diabolical program of communistic inspired recommendations of the so-called civil liberties committee."

The Mississippiian told his audience that "we of the South owe no allegiance to those who have so basely betrayed us" and mentioned that the Mississippi Democratic executive committee had directed its meeting to call a nationwide meeting of all true Democrats.

Another speaker at the meeting, Mississippi House Speaker Walter Sillers, contended the Democratic party leadership had advocated betrayal of the covenant of articles of the bill of rights states rights. "Give us protection against these outrages," he cried, "or give us death."

At a news conference earlier, Wright disclosed he had received letters from states, including New England and seaboard states, supporting his stand. And he added: "The people want a conservative party in control in Washington. They don't care whether it is Republican, Democratic or what you may call it."

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Benes Bows

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cial said, the president was virtually muzzled by the Communist controlled press and radio and thus was unable to carry direct to the people any appeal or explanation of his action.

The president's office announced that Benes would make no speech nor issue any communique today. The official who told of his surrender to Gottwald said the reason for the delay was Benes exhausted. He needs a day or two to recover some of his strength for whatever course he chose, it was said.

Other quarters said that after his capitulation to the Communist, Benes was exhausted, depressed, and unbalanced. He had been fighting for the Czech nation since the days before its creation after the first world war.

The pressure on him for a full week had mounted steadily.

Prague, Feb. 25 — (AP)—Czechoslovakia is completely under Communist control today and the way is clear for transforming the republic, modeled at birth after the United States, into a copy of Soviet Russia.

The weapon is ready—the charge of conspiracy against the government by "agents of reaction." This was provided by Communist Premier Klement Gottwald himself. Now in complete control of the press and propaganda outlets, the Communists have all means at their disposal to drive home this campaign.

The nation fell under complete Communist domination last night. The Communist party, largest at the last election but still a minority in the Parliament, has achieved a cabinet made up of its members and trusted sympathizers. Only a semblance of the old seven-party coalition is preserved.

(In London the British foreign office said Britain must now consider the question of recognition of the new Czechoslovak government. A foreign office spokesman said the Communists forced the government to "unconditional means." Britain has been consulting with the United States and France on the matter.)

Columns of Czech students attempted to march to Hrdy's palace last night to see President Eduard Benes who capitulated yesterday to Communist demands after holding out for almost a week. Police arrested 50 of them. One student said the police used rifle bullets to push back the marchers who reached Police Square.

More than 10,000 students had gathered in the square before Charles University in a counter demonstration to a Communist rally. Several thousand of them were dispersed there by police.

Criticism of the government has disappeared from the Czechoslovak press, which, up to Monday night, had been carrying outspoken comment on the nation's political crisis.

Efforts to reach President Benes for an interview have been unavailable. Using the threat of a Communist led general strike, Gottwald finally forced Benes to accept the new Communist government. The president accepted resignations of 14 anti-Communist ministers, 12 of whom had quit a week ago to protest Communist moves toward controlling the security forces of the nation.

In six days of bloodless revolution, the Communist party had pressed its demands and won. It controlled the cabinet. It gave orders through the police and "people's committees" to the whole country. It had crushed — or the time being at least — all effective opposition.

The change was a step toward turning this little republic, modeled at birth after the United States, into a copy of its new idol, Soviet Russia.

The Communists' next goal is to win the coming election and a majority in Parliament, where they now have 34 per cent of the seats by themselves and 52 per cent with their allies, the Social Democrats. Strategy in the meantime was to tighten their grip on the country by putting down opposition.

Gottwald gave the order when, in public rallies, he spoke of the dozen resigning ministers as "agents of foreign reaction. Ministry of Justice Alexej Cejka, newly promoted for minister of internal trade, said "the forces of reaction will now try to make their comeback."

The election date has not been decided. When it comes, the likelihood seems to be that voters will be given a choice of several tickets but that candidates on the other than the Communist will have to be — in the Communist phrase — "Democrats Progressives."

Meanwhile, the pattern for other parties was to purge their ranks of men and women fallen into disfavor because of anti-Communist views.

Only men okayed by Gottwald are considered spokesmen for their parties. There was a possibility that the parties themselves, under these new leaders, might purge the resigned ministers and open the

Roads in This Section in Bad Shape

All unpaved roads and highways in District No. 3 are still in bad shape. A. G. Rivers, superintendent, announced today. Condition of the roads follow:

Highway No. 4: Dierks to Ouachita Co. Line. From Dierks to Center Point—Poor condition. Sloppy and rough. Center Point to Nashville but open to traffic. Nashville to Washington—11 miles under construction. Traffic maintained. Washington to Hope—Sloppy and rough and in poor condition but open to traffic. Hope to Rosston—Closed. Due to rain. Rosston to Ouachita Co. Line—Sloppy and rough but not recommended, open to light traffic only.

Highway No. 3: Montgomery Co. Line to Clark Co. Line—Poor condition. Open to light traffic only. Gravel being placed.

Highway No. 19: Delight to Walcott. Delight to Prescott open to light traffic. Prescott to Rosston—Closed. Rosston to Walcott—Closed due to rain.

Highway No. 24: Lockesburg to Ouachita Co. Line. From Lockesburg to Nashville—Good. Nashville to Ebeville—Condition poor. One bridge under construction. Short detour of 1000' around bridge site. Ebeville to Prescott—Condition poor. Open to light traffic only. Gravel being placed in bad spots. Prescott to Junction No. 53—Condition good. Short detour of 1000' around bridge.

Junction No. 53 to Ouachita Co. Line—Sloppy and rough and poor condition. Open to light traffic only.

Highway No. 26: Junction No. 25 and No. 24 to the Junction of No. 25 and No. 27—Poor condition. Open to light traffic only. Bridges under repair. Traffic maintained. Murfreesboro to Clark Co. Line—Sloppy and rough in poor condition.

Highway No. 27: Junction No. 27 and No. 71 South of Ben Lomond to Kirby—Highway No. 71 to Mineral Springs, fair. Mineral Springs to Kirby—Good.

Highway No. 29: Ebeville to Louisa Line. Ebeville to Hope—Poor condition. Hope to Louisville—Good. Louisville to Bradley—Fair. Bradley to Louisiana Line—Poor.

Highway No. 32: Oklahoma Line to Red Bluff—Fair condition. Foreman to Ashdown—Under construction. Traffic maintained. Junction No. 32 and No. 73 from Columbus to Washington—Poor condition. Not recommended for travel in wet weather.

Highway No. 41: DeQueen to Red River. DeQueen to Horatio—good condition except one mile of gravel. South of DeQueen which is fair. Horatio to Foreman—Fair condition. Foreman to Red River—Poor condition.

Highway No. 53: Little Missouri River to Bodeau. From Little Missouri River to Junction No. 53 and No. 25—Poor condition. Open to light traffic only. From Junction No. 53 and No. 4 to Bodeau—Poor condition but passable.

Highway No. 55: Mineral Springs to Fulton—Fair condition.

Highway No. 67: Texarkana to Clark Co. Line—Heavy maintenance repairs in operation. Soft shoulders throughout entire section. Observe all traffic and warning signs. Construction operations through the city of Hope. Short detour maintained when necessary. Some broken places in slab causes rough riding and traffic should drive cautiously.

Highway No. 70: Oklahoma Line to Hot Springs Co. Line. From Oklahoma line to Junction of Highway No. 70 and No. 71 East of DeQueen—Good. From Junction No. 71 and No. 70, East of DeQueen to Kirby—Poor condition. Open to light traffic only. Heavy maintenance operations in progress. Kirby to Hot Springs Co. Line—Good.

Highway No. 71: Louisiana Line to Pulk Co. Line—Condition good.

Highway No. 73: Junction No. 73 and No. 4 to Saratoga—Closed due to rain.

Highway No. 76: Junction No. 76 and No. 19 to Junction No. 76 and No. 4—Poor condition. Not recommended for travel in wet weather.

Highway No. 82: Texarkana to Columbia Co. Line. From Texarkana to Garland City—Under construction. All traffic detour via No. 67 to Hope, No. 29 to Louisville. 22 mile detour for light traffic is closed for repairs. Garland City to Columbia Co. Line—Good condition.

Highway No. 84: Kirby to Clark Co. Line—Poor condition.

Highway No. 103: Junction No. 103 and No. 67 Paup's Spur to Junction No. 103 and No. 71 Index—Poor condition due to rain.

Highway No. 124: Junction No. 71 and No. 124 to Garland City—First 5 miles from the Junction of No. 71 East on No. 134—Poor condition. Balance not recommended for travel. No State Maintenance on latter section.

Highway No. 160: Bradley to Spring Bank Ferry—Poor condition.

Fire Hits Another Town in Arkansas Within Two Days

Feb. 25 — (AP)—This community is the second in Arkansas to have suffered misfortune in as many days.

Fire yesterday afternoon destroyed the Ritz theatre in the main business section at a loss estimated between \$150,000 and \$200,000. E. J. Arnold, general manager of the Malvern amusement co., operator of the show

house, made the estimate. Tuesday, an explosion wrecked three business buildings in Poca-hontas, damaged many others, killed one person and injured several others. Losses there have been estimated at \$100,000.

Pocahontas is in northeast Arkansas; Malvern is in the south central area.

Dense smoke shrouded the business district here and for a time the theatre block was threatened. This fear prompted calls for firefighting equipment from Hot Springs, Benton and the Reynolds Metal Co. plant at Jones Mill. By the time the apparatus reached the scene, Malvern's volunteer firemen had flames under control and confined them to the theatre.

The cause of the fire has not been determined definitely. First reports said it started in the projection room. Later, it was believed it broke out at the rear of the building.

There were no casualties. The fire started one hour 35 minutes before the theatre doors were to have opened for the matinee.

The United States has about 26 million dairy cows.

Youth Fatally Wounds Man Who Struck Mother

Everett, Wash., Feb. 25 — (AP)—Sheriff Tom Warnock said today a 16-year-old boy fatally wounded a man who struck the youth's mother.

The youth was not held pending an inquest.

The dead man is Thomas G. Vreeland, 27-year-old laborer. He was hit in the chest by a .22 caliber rifle bullet.

Warnock said the boy, Charles Riner, and the mother told this story:

The mother, Mrs. Allyne Larson, 35, had attended a party last night at a neighbor's home. Vreeland began annoying Mrs. Larson. She left to escape his attentions.

Several hours later the sheriff said, Vreeland forced his way into the Larson home. He struck Mrs. Larson. When warned by the boy to get out, Vreeland struck at him. Vreeland was fatally shot a moment later.

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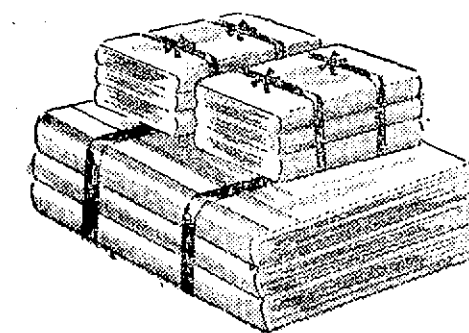
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